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FROM KEARNEY

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1. SUGGEST THAT CLAUSE IN PROPOSED VOTE"...THAT THEY WILL IN THE FUTURE JOIN THEM PRESERVING THE TERMS OF THE GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT". COULD BE IMPROVED BY ELIMINATING IMPLICATION OF BREACH OF AGREEMENT BY OTHER REGIONAL GROUPS AND CONCENTRATING UPON NEED FOR PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE CARRYING OUT OF GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT. RECENT ELECTIONS MAKE CLEAR THAT REGIONAL GROUPS ARE UNABLE TO LIMIT CANDIDATES TO THE NUMBER ALLOTTED UNDER THE GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT. IN ABSENCE PROCEDURES FOR MEETING THIS PROBLEM, ODDS ARE GOOD THAT GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT WILL CONTINUE TO BE BREACHED DESPITE ANY REAFFIRMATIONS.

2. ADOPTION OF VOTING FOR CANDIDATESOF EACH REGIONAL GROUP SEPARATELY APPEARS BEST HOPE OF MAINTAINING PRESENT WEO ENTITLEMENTS.

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3. ACCORDINGLY, SUGGEST THAT NOTE SHOULD REAFFIRM GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT AS AGREED INTERPREATION OF STATUTE AND SEEK ASSURANCE THAT OTHER REGIONAL GROUPS WILL JOIN WITH WEO IN ADOPTING PROCEDURES ALONG LINES ELECTION GA VP'S TO INSURE THE CRRYING OUT OF THE GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT.

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4. THE UTLIMATE SENTENCE OF NOTE COULD BE TAKEN TO MEAN THAT MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION REPRESENT STATES. SUGGEST THAT SENTENCE SHOULD READ"... MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION WHO ARE NATIONALS OF SUCH STATES..." MEEHAN

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